

## **Safety Tips**

- Never conduct roadside activities when weather conditions might effect a driver's vision or when driving conditions are questionable. Limit activities to full daylight and fair weather days. Keep in mind, this activity is conducted in a heavily trafficked high-speed zone.
- Each group should review the Guidelines for Litter Pickup/Traffic Control Plan for Volunteer Group Litter Pickup and Bag It, Move It, Leave It before each activity.
- Use the Litter Traffic Plan for signage, it's not only a good idea, its federal law.
- Have a first-aid kit available. Take extra gloves, sunscreen and water.
- We require all participants were an ITD issued Class 3 Reflective Safety Vest.
- We recommend wearing gloves, long pants and sturdy closed toe shoes.
- Headsets/earbuds can interfere with your ability to hear oncoming traffic or other potential hazards and should not be worn.
- > Items that might cause injury, such as axes, knives, machetes, etc., should not be carried during litter pickup.
- **DO NOT** conduct litter pickups on the roadway, bridges, tunnels, curved roadway sections, overpasses or in construction zones. These areas are especially dangerous for pedestrians.
- Stay clear of mowing operations and maintenance or construction activities.
- Be alert for snakes, stinging insects & poison ivy. Be cautious around tall grass and old logs.

- Don't try to make room in your litterbag by jumping or pushing down on it. You could cut yourself or the bag may rip and you might end up picking the litter up all over again.
- Avoid overexertion by resting when you need to and drinking plenty of water, especially on warm days.
- Never possess or consume alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs while on the adopted section.
- Leave roadkill. Report its location when returning your supplies.
- Never pick up questionable material. Leave and report the location of any drug paraphernalia or bodily fluids (Bottle Bombs) when returning your supplies.